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SUBJECT: TASS ON IZVESTIYA ARTICLE - AWKWARD INVENTION, WHO NEEDS IT

REF: MOSCOW 2362

1. AS PER MOSCOW 2362, TEXT TASS QUOTE OF EZVESTIYA ARTICLE  
FOLLOWS.

2. BEGIN TEXT: MOSCOW FEBRUARY 18 TASS THE NEWSPAPER IZVESTIA  
TODAY PUBLISHED A PARAGRAPH (SIC) HEADLINED "AN AWKWARD INVENTION,  
WHO NEEDS IT" SAYING: "U.S. NEWSPAPERS HAVE RECENTLY INVENTED  
A STRANGE "SENSATION". THEY PUBLISHED REPORTS TO THE EFFECT  
THAT SOME HIGH RADIATION THAT IS DANGEROUS TO HEALTH HAD ALLEGEDLY  
DEVELOPED IN THE BUILDING OF THE U.S. EMBASSY IN MOSCOW. IT  
IS NOTEWORTHY THAT, AS CORRESPONDENTS SAY, THEY RECEIVED ALL  
THIS INFORMATION FROM U.S. OFFICIALS AND THAT THE  
U.S. EMBASSY ITSELF WAS PARTICULARLY ACTIVE IN GIVING THIS  
INFORMATION. (NEW PARAGRAPH) REPORTS APPEARED IN A SECRET  
MEETING IN THE EMBASSY, AT WHICH EMBASSY OFFICIALS AND OTHER  
U.S. CITIZENS, EVEN THOSE WHO DO NOT RPT DO NOT WORK AT THE  
EMBASSY, WERE INFORMED ABOUT THE MYSTERIOUS RADIATION, ABOUT  
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SOME ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELD IN THE EMBASSY BUILDING.

THEY WERE WARNED AND EVEN BULLIED. UNAMBIGUOUS HINTS WERE DROPPED TO CORRESPONDENTS THAT SOMETHING SHOULD LEAK INTO THE PRESS IN THE LIGHT NECESSARY FOR THE AUTHORS OF THE INVENTION, BUT WITHOUT ANY REFERENCE TO THE SOURCE. IN A WORD, THE INVENTION WITH A FOUL SMELL BEGAN OOZING. (NEW PARAGRAPH) NEEDLESS TO SAY THAT ALL THIS IS A TRUMPED-UP STORY FROM BEGINNING TO END. BUT TO UNDERSTAND ITS UNDERLYING MOTIVES CLEARER ONE HAS TO LOOK AT THE FACTS.

IT IS COMMON KNOWLEDGE THAT INDUSTRIAL ENTERPRISES, TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES, TELEVISION AND RADIO INSTALLATIONS, ETC. HAVE A CERTAIN EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT, PARTICULARLY IN BIG CITIES AND INDUSTRIAL CENTERS. THEREFORE, THERE ARE SPECIAL SERVICES THAT WORK OUT SAFETY STANDARDS AND STRICTLY SEE TO IT THAT THEY SHOULD NOT RPT NOT BE EXCEEDED, WHETHER IT BE PURITY OF THE AIR, NOISE LEVEL AND OTHER PHENOMENA. A CERTAIN ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELD MAY DEVELOP IN THE FUNCTIONING OF RADIO AND TELEVISION STATIONS, OTHER MEANS OF COMMUNICATION AND SOME INDUSTRIAL ENTERPRISES IN BIG CITIES. ITS LEVEL CAN FLUCTUATE IN VARIOUS DISTRICTS OF THE CITY DEPENDING ON THE PRESENCE OF SOME OR OTHER INDUSTRIAL ENTERPRISES. THERE IS NOTHING UNUSUAL ABOUT IT. IT IS A PHYSICAL PHENOMENON THAT IS KNOWN TO EVERY SCHOOLCHILD. RESEARCH OF MANY YEARS CONDUCTED IN THE SOVIET UNION AND IN OTHER COUNTRIES MADE IT POSSIBLE TO SET THE REQUIRED SAFETY STANDARDS IN WHICH THE ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELD HAS NO RPT NO EFFECT ON MAN. COMPETENT SANITARY SERVICES STRICTLY SEE TO THE OBSERVANCE OF THESE STANDARDS. THIS IS ALL WELL KNOWN IN WASHINGTON, AND IF THIS SUBJECT IS TOUCHED UPON AT ALL, IT COULD BE RECOMMENDED TO DRAW ATTENTION TO THE FACT THAT THE BUILDING OF THE U.S. EMBASSY IS EQUIPPED LIKE A SHIP WITH NUMEROUS ANTENNAS AND LARGE-SIZE INSTALLATIONS. IT IS CLEAR EVEN TO A PERSON, WHO IS NOT RPT NOT EXPERT IN THESE THINGS, THAT THE USE OF SUCH INSTALLATIONS MAY BE A SOURCE THAT INCREASES THE GENERAL LEVEL OF THE ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELD IN THE BUILDING ON WHICH THEY ARE INSTALLED. THE NEWSPAPER "WASHINGTON POST" WROTE WITH GOOD REASON THAT IT IS NOT RPT NOT SOVIET, BUT U.S. DEVICES THAT ARE THOUGHT TO BE THE SOURCE OF THE RADIATION. THOSE WHO STAGED THE BALLYHOO ALSO KNOW THAT AS A RESULT OF A CAREFUL ADDITIONAL CHECK JOINTLY MADE BY SOVIET AND AMERICAN REPRESENTATIVES, IT WAS ESTABLISHED

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IN THE U.S. EMBASSY IS BELOW THE MINIMUM SANITARY STANDARDS EXISTING IN THE SOVIET UNION. IT WILL BE MUCH TO POINT TO NOTE IN PASSING THAT THE STANDARDS EXISTING IN THE USA ALLOW A BY FAR HIGHER LEVEL OF ELECTROMAGNETIC RADIATION. THESE ARE FACTS. AND IT IS BY NO RPT NO ACCIDENT THEREFORE THAT ANSWERING QUESTIONS OF NEWSMEN. AN OFFICIAL SPOKESMAN FOR THE STATE DEPARTMENT HAD TO ADMIT THE OTHER DAY THAT A PHYSICIAN OF THE U.S. EMBASSY HAD

MET EMBASSY OFFICIALS AND ENSURED THEM THAT NOTHING  
THREATENED THEIR HEALTH. THUS, AS IT ALWAYS HAPPENS  
WITH LIES, THIS INVENTION ALSO PROVED TO BE SHORT-  
LIVED. IT WOULD SEEM THAT EVERYTHING IS CLEAR.  
THE INVENTION HAS BEEN EXPOSED, BUT DESPITE THE OBJECTIVE  
FACTS, THE NOISY MISINFORMATION CAMPAIGN HAS NOT RPT NOT BEEN STOPPED

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ONE CANNOT HELP ASKING WHO AND WHY NEEDS IT. IT IS OBVIOUS THAT ALL  
THIS IS NOT RPT NO SIMPLY AN INVENTION BY SOME NEWSMAN HUNTING  
FOR SENSATIONS. ONE CAN DEFINITELY FEEL  
HERE THE DIRECTING HAND OF THE CIRCLES THAT OPPOSE  
THE LINE OF MAINTAINING AND DEVELOPING GOOD, NORMAL  
RELATIONS BETWEEN THE USSR AND THE UNITED STATES  
THAT WAS MAPPED OUT AT THE SUMMIT MEETINGS OF RECENT  
YEARS IN A NUMBER OF JOINT FUNDAMENTAL DOCUMENTS.  
IT IS NOW CLEAR THAT ACTING IN THEIR OWN  
SELFISH INTERESTS THESE CIRCLES PUT INTO USE NEW  
DOSES OF MISINFORMATION, THUS TRYING TO CAST DOUBT  
ON THE PROCESS OF THE POSITIVE DEVELOPMENT OF RELATIONS  
BETWEEN OUR COUNTRIES, TRYING TO IMPEDE  
IN GENERAL THE LINE OF THE EASING OF INTERNATIONAL  
TENSION. BUT THE ATTEMPTS TO ACHIEVE ONE'S AIMS  
BY ALL SORTS OF FABRICATIONS ARE HOPELESS. ONE WILL  
NOT RPT NOT GO FAR BY RESORTING TO INVENTIONS,  
IZVESTIA STRESSES IN CONCLUSION. END TEXT. STOESEL

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